

Tours

& ACTIVITIES

At **Kokopo Beach Bungalow Resort**, we have an amazing selection of tours to help you escape, explore and relax, in the beautiful surroundings that Papua New Guinea has to offer.

SEA TOURS

Harbour Cruise

Our harbour cruise takes you up close to both volcanoes (Mt Vulcan - dormant and Mt Tavorvur - active). Cruise into the famous Simpsons Harbor, see the 'Beehives' (two remarkable rocks in the middle of the harbor), cruise around Matupit Island to the hot springs, with the highlight of the trip getting off at the base of Mt Tavorvur to see the men from Matupit Island 'mine' the Megapod eggs. It is an experience to see these men mine the eggs by literally digging holes of 1-2m deep in the ash in an attempt to find the eggs. Continue on to Pigeon Island to do some snorkeling. If you are lucky on the way you will see pods of wild dolphins that frequent Blanche Bay. We can arrange a picnic for you on the island or you can return to the Resort for lunch.



Duke of York Islands Day Trip

The Duke of York Islands is an unspoiled group of islands located to the east of the Resort. By boat it is approximately 40 mins to the islands. Enjoy a day trip to the Duke of York Islands to snorkel and swim in aqua waters and picnic on white sandy beaches.

RECREATIONAL TOURS



Snorkelling

We have some of the best snorkelling in the world. Our half day trip to Pigeon Island which is a nature reserve is a

wonderful way to spend the day and see a multitude of marine life. We can organise a picnic for you or you can take your own. Whether you want to splash, snorkel or drift away - you will enjoy having the island to yourself.

Fishing and Diving



The waters of East New Britain support a wide variety of fish. Our fishing tours cater for 3 people and you can try for species like GT, Yellow-fin Tuna, or mackerel just to name a few. Bring your own gear or we can provide ours on hire. WWII wrecks and high level visibility are a perfect combination to make your diving experience unique and memorable. We can arrange diving trips for you with a third party operator.



LAND TOURS



Gazelle Peninsula Tour

Discover the history of East New Britain with our full day Gazelle Peninsula Tour. You will visit the Kokopo Museum which hosts an extensive range of war relics and reminders of the Japanese and German occupation of East New Britain. See Queen Emma's steps and continue on to visit the various Japanese Barge tunnels. Then go up as close as possible to the volcanoes and hot springs, see Admiral Yamomotos bunker and the New Guinea Club and visit the Volcano Observatory.

ADVENTURE TOURS



Volcano Climbing

Rabaul is surrounded by 6 volcanoes. Mt Kombui or 'the mother' as she is known provides the greatest challenge to climb. Mt Kombui is about 700 meters high and is the highest mountain in East New Britain. The hike starts early through coconut plantations and is a steady slope of track with some steeper

areas. From the summit the panoramic view takes in the Duke of York Islands, the ghost town of Rabaul and the mouth of the active volcano Mt Tauruvur. Climbdown the mountain along the same path which can be just as challenging. We recommend a moderate to high level of fitness.

VILLAGE HOME STAY

Maira Homestay



We provide an opportunity for you to experience village life through our 1 or 2 day Home Stay. You will be taken by boat to the beautiful island of Mioko where you can spend either one or two nights. Experience the hospitality of the villagers, sleep in a traditional house, get involved in the cooking, and enjoy traditional activities like basket weaving. You can have a look around the village at its schools and churches and you will enjoy the attention of the local children. The facilities are 'rustic' so be prepared to rough it. On your return enjoy the cool comforts of your room and a hot shower!

CULTURAL TOURS

Bainings Firedance

The Bainings Firedance is a unique cultural event which is indigenous to East New Britain. The customary dance is only performed by men and involves representations of 'spirits' who dance in a huge bonfire to the haunting sounds of a bamboo chant. The dance is only organized for groups of 10 people or more and is performed in the village.

CULTURAL EVENTS



National Mask Festival

The National Mask Festival occurs in July in Kokopo. The Festival typically runs over 4 days and involves the performance of many cultural dances from all over PNG. The Festival is opened by the dawn Kinavi which involves the arrival of the 'Duk Duks' from across the sea. The following days of the Festival showcase dances from West New Britain, Bainings, Asoro Mud Men and many more. The Festival is very popular with tourists.



Other Tours

We can also organize other tours such as bird watching, a village tour, or exploring caves. Tell us what your interests are and we will try our best to assist you.

Prices vary according to number of participants. If you do not mind joining another group, the price will be lower.